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Corrales Man Indicted on Fraudulent Check Charges

Albuquerque – On June 4, 2009, the Grand Jury of the Second Judicial District in Albuquerque indicted Jarrod Battershell, of Corrales, on twelve counts of fraud and forgery. Battershell is alleged to have issued checks using a New Mexico Taxation and Revenue Department bank account number. The checks were made payable to Car Quest, Walgreen's, Reliable Nissan, Mesa Enterprises, MVD Express and Discount Tire in November 2008.

Battershell, age 38, is charged with seven fourth degree felonies, one misdemeanor and four petty misdemeanors. If convicted on all counts, Battershell faces over 13 years incarceration and \$38,000 in fines. Battershell is currently in the Metropolitan Detention Center on similar, but unrelated, charges.

"For anyone thinking about fraudulently using a State of New Mexico bank account number, this is a warning that we take these violations very seriously and will continue to investigate and pursue prosecution", said Rick Homans, Taxation and Revenue Department Cabinet Secretary.

The indictments are the result of an investigation by the Taxation and Revenue Department's Tax Fraud Investigations Division. The case is being prosecuted by Second Judicial District Attorney Kari Brandenburg's office.

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